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RE: Agencies' Comments on the Smoky Canyon Mine RI/FS Draft Dinwoody Material Source Investigation Work Plan Revised Draft

Dear Alan,

Enclosed you will find the Agencies' Comments on the Smoky Canyon Mine RI/FS Draft Dinwoody Material Source Investigation Work Plan Revised Draft.

The Smoky Canyon Mine RI/FS Dinwoody Material Source Investigation Work Plan is approved with the incorporation of this comment. Please submit a Final Work Plan by September 21, 2017.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 208-236-7572.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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Agencies' Comments – Smoky Canyon Mine RI/FS Draft Dinwoody Material Source Investigation Work Plan, Revised Draft

Specific Comments:

SC-9 Section 2.2, Page 9, Data Collection and Completing Investigation Locations, second paragraph: Samples from the testing locations should be collected as part of the logging process and part of the data collection and archive step.

Simplot Response: Physical samples will not be retained as part of the investigation work. Detailed logs of material and depth will be made at the time of excavation or drilling. Detailed photo documentation of cuttings or excavated material and trench walls will be retained with the logs for future reference. This information will be added to the Work Plan.

Additional Comment SC-9: It is assumed that the reason behind not collecting physical samples for laboratory analysis is that the project team concluded there was sufficient data already due to the use of the Dinwoody material in other areas of the Site (Section 1.1 of WP). Please provide a summary of the analytical data already collected to support the conclusion.